

**In the claims:**

Please amend the claims as provided in the attached substitute claims.

1. (currently amended) A multi-purpose ~~speed~~ framing square comprising:

an elongate blade having a T-shaped slot therethrough, said T-shaped slot  
5 having a base, said T-shaped slot having an L-shape at the base of said T-shaped  
slot;

a handle having two opposite ends, a bottom end and a top end, said  
handle top end having a handle thumbscrew hole therethrough, said handle being  
boltably attached through said handle thumbscrew hole to said blade through said  
10 blade T-shaped slot, said handle bottom end having a handle support pin bore  
therein, said handle having a handle cavity through which said blade can move;  
and

a handle support pin detachably connectable to said handle, said handle  
support pin disposable within said handle support pin bore.

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2. (currently amended) The multi-purpose ~~speed~~ framing square of claim 1 further  
comprising:

a handle thumbscrew detachably connectable to said handle, said handle  
thumbscrew disposed within said handle thumbscrew hole, said handle  
20 thumbscrew disposed within said blade T-shaped slot.

3. (currently amended) The multi-purpose ~~speed~~ framing square of claim 1 further  
comprising:

a blade thumbscrew clamp detachably connectable to said blade, said  
blade thumbscrew clamp disposed within said blade T-shaped slot.

5 4. (currently amended) The multi-purpose ~~speed~~ framing square of claim 1 further  
comprising:

wherein said handle top end having a handle lock pin hole therethrough;  
wherein said blade having a blade angular lock pin hole therethrough; and  
a lock pin detachably disposed within said handle lock pin hole, said lock  
pin detachably disposed within said blade angular lock pin hole.

10 5. (currently amended) The multi-purpose ~~speed~~ framing square of claim 1 wherein:  
said handle having four finger grip recesses therein.

15 6. (currently amended) The multi-purpose ~~speed~~ framing square of claim 1 further  
comprising:

a horizontal bubble level connected to said handle.

7. (currently amended) The multi-purpose ~~speed~~ framing square of claim 1 further  
comprising:

20 a vertical bubble level connected to said handle.

8. (currently amended) The multi-purpose ~~speed~~ framing square of claim 1 wherein:  
said blade having dimension indicia thereupon.

9. (currently amended) The multi-purpose speed framing square of claim 1 wherein:  
said blade having angular indicia thereupon.

5 10. (currently amended) The multi-purpose speed framing square of claim 1 wherein:  
said blade is beveled adjacent to said blade T-shaped slot.

11. (currently amended) The multi-purpose speed framing square of claim 1 further  
comprising:

10 an angle plate disposed between said handle and said blade, said angle  
plate having an angle plate tang which is slidably disposed within said blade T-  
shaped slot.

12. (currently amended) A multi-purpose speed framing square comprising:

15 an elongate blade having a T-shaped slot therethrough, said T-shaped slot  
having a base, said T-shaped slot having an L-shape at the base of said T-shaped  
slot;

20 a handle having two opposite ends, a bottom end and a top end, said  
handle top end having a handle thumbscrew hole therethrough, said handle being  
boltably attached through said handle thumbscrew hole to said blade through said  
blade T-shaped slot, said handle bottom end having a handle support pin bore  
therein, said handle having a handle cavity through which said blade can move;

a handle support pin detachably connectable to said handle, said handle  
support pin disposable within said handle support pin bore;

a handle thumbscrew detachably connectable to said handle, said handle thumbscrew disposed within said handle thumbscrew hole, said handle thumbscrew disposed within said blade T-shaped slot; and

a blade thumbscrew clamp detachably connectable to said blade, said blade thumbscrew clamp disposed within said blade T-shaped slot.

13. (currently amended) The multi-purpose ~~speed~~ framing square of claim 12 further comprising:

wherein said handle top end having a handle lock pin hole therethrough;

wherein said blade having a blade angular lock pin hole therethrough; and

a lock pin detachably disposed within said handle lock pin hole, said lock pin detachably disposed within said blade angular lock pin hole.

14. (currently amended) The multi-purpose ~~speed~~ framing square of claim 13 wherein:

said handle having four finger grip recesses therein.

15. (currently amended) The multi-purpose ~~speed~~ framing square of claim 14 further comprising:

a horizontal bubble level connected to said handle; and

a vertical bubble level connected to said handle.

16. (currently amended) The multi-purpose ~~speed~~ framing square of claim 15 wherein:

said blade having dimension indicia thereupon.

17. (currently amended) The multi-purpose ~~speed~~ framing square of claim 16 wherein:  
said blade having angular indicia thereupon.

5 18. (currently amended) The multi-purpose ~~speed~~ framing square of claim 17 wherein:  
said blade is beveled adjacent to said blade T-shaped slot.

19. (currently amended) The multi-purpose ~~speed~~ framing square of claim 18 further  
comprising:

10 an angle plate disposed between said handle and said blade, said angle  
plate having an angle plate tang which is slidably disposed within said blade T-  
shaped slot.

20. (currently amended) A multi-purpose ~~speed~~ framing square comprising:

15 an elongate blade having a T-shaped slot therethrough, said T-shaped slot  
having a base, said T-shaped slot having an L-shape at the base of said T-shaped  
slot, said blade having a blade angular lock pin hole therethrough, said blade  
having dimension indicia thereupon, said blade having angular indicia thereupon,  
said blade is beveled adjacent to said blade T-shaped slot;

20 a handle having two opposite ends, a bottom end and a top end, said  
handle top end having a handle thumbscrew hole therethrough, said handle being  
boltably attached through said handle thumbscrew hole to said blade through said  
blade T-shaped slot, said handle bottom end having a handle support pin bore

therein, said handle having a handle cavity through which said blade can move, said handle top end having a handle lock pin hole therethrough, said handle having four finger grip recesses therein;

5 a handle support pin detachably connectable to said handle, said handle support pin disposable within said handle support pin bore;

a handle thumbscrew detachably connectable to said handle, said handle thumbscrew disposed within said handle thumbscrew hole, said handle thumbscrew disposed within said blade T-shaped slot;

10 a blade thumbscrew clamp detachably connectable to said blade, said blade thumbscrew clamp disposed within said blade T-shaped slot;

a lock pin detachably disposed within said handle lock pin hole, said lock pin detachably disposed within said blade angular lock pin hole;

a horizontal bubble level connected to said handle; and

a vertical bubble level connected to said handle.